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SUBJ: YUGOSLAV VIEW ON CYPRUS

1. IN CORRIDOR CONVERSATION AMBASSADOR BENNETT TOOK OCCASION TO COMPLIMENT YUGOSLAV PERMREP PETRIC FOR PART LATTER HAD PLAYED IN SUCCESSFUL NON-ALIGNED EFFORT TO FIND LANGUAGE FOR CYPRUS RESOLUTION WHICH ALL PRINCIPAL PARTIES COULD ACCEPT. THIS LED ON TO DISCUSSION OF NEGOTIATIONS WHICH PETRIC ONCE AGAIN CONFIRMED HAD BEEN ARDUOUS. HE STRESSED HOW DIFFICULT KYPRIANOU HAD BEEN IN THE NEGOTIATIONS, SHOUTING, DEMANDING AND THREATENING AT EVERY STAGE. PETRIC SAID IT HAD BEEN OBVIOUS TO HIM THAT KYPRIANOU, AND BEHIND HIM MAKARIOS, HAD BEEN DETERMINED FROM THE OUTSET TO ACHIEVE A RESOLUTION WHICH TURKS WOULD VOTE AGAINST.

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HE, PETRIC, HAD FELT EQUALLY STRONGLY, AND HAD ARGUED

STRONGLY, THAT LANGUAGE MUST BE FOUND WHICH WOULD ENABLE
TURKISH SUPPORT OF RESOLUTION OR ELSE NOTHING WOULD COME
OF IT. GREEKS HAD UNDERSTOOD THIS WELL, AND PETRIC
PAID TRIBUTE TO WORK OF BITSIOS AND CARAYANNIS. PETRIC
ALSO SPOKE HIGHLY OF BOTH CLERIDES AND DENKTASH. HE
CONSIDERED BOTH TO BE REASONABLE MEN IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES
WHO, IF LEFT ALONE, WOULD PROBABLY BE ABLE TO AGREE
ON SOME PRACTICAL SOLUTION FOR CYPRUS. PETRIC EXPRESSED
OPINION IT WOULD BE A MISTAKE FOR MAKARIOS TO RETURN
TO CYPRUS ANYTIME IN THE NEAR FUTURE. MAKARIOS, IN PETRIC'S
VIEW, IS SO DETERMINED TO HAVE HIS OWN WAY THAT HE COULD
ONLY BE A DIVISIVE FORCE IN CYPRUS UNDER THE PRESENT
CIRCUMSTANCES.

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